

April 13, 2016

TO: CALIFORNIA FIRE AND RESCUE MUTUAL AID SYSTEM AGENCY

RESPONDERS

SUBJECT: "2016 Agreement for Local Government Fire and Emergency Assistance Rate Letter"

Dear Chief:

The following reimbursement rates apply to responses under the terms and conditions of the Agreement for Local Government Fire and Emergency Assistance (*The California Fire Assistance Agreement (CFAA)*) for the period beginning April 13, 2016.

**Personnel Base Rates:** These rates ONLY apply if your agency does NOT have rates on file.

• Overhead at or above Strike Team/Task Force Leader: \$23.91 (ST) \$35.87 (OT) per hour

Engine Company and Overhead at or below

Strike Team/Task Force Leader (Trainee): \$19.46 (ST) \$29.19 (OT) per hour

NOTE: Base Rates are required to be shown at straight time (ST) on the annual salary survey;

however, agencies will be reimbursed at an overtime rate (OT) of time and a half at invoicing for base rates

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## The following apparatus rates will apply to responses effective at the time of dispatch:

There is a 16-hour maximum allowable charge per 24-hour period from time of dispatch.

<u>GPM</u>	<u>Hourly</u>
0001-1000	80.00
1001-1250	85.00
1251-1500	91.00
1501-2000+	93.50

Support Equipment Rates: POV Rate:

Government Owned Vehicles: Privately Owned Vehicles:

Sedan **\$47.00** per day **\$0.54** per mile

 Pickup
 \$86.00 per day

 Van
 \$109.00 per day

 SUV
 \$96.00 per day

Other \$96.00 per day (3/4 ton & above)

**Default Administrative Rate:** 10.00 %

**Administrative Rate Change:** If you have provided your Actual Administrative Rate, you are <u>required</u> to update this rate by July 1, of each year. After this date, the rate will default back to the base 10% until an actual rate has been received.

**REQUIRED SIGNATURE:** In previous years, if your agency had chosen to utilize the established base rate(s) set by the CFAA Committee each year, there was not a requirement to sign the salary survey, and your agency would automatically default to the base rate(s) established for that given year. If your agency submitted average actual personnel rates, and had not updated your rates from previous years, Cal OES would utilize the rates on file at the time of dispatch for invoicing.

<u>Effective immediately and for future years, ALL</u> local government fire agencies authorized representative **MUST** sign the annual salary survey agreeing to comply with all cooperator agency's internal accounting and expense reimbursement standards. Fire Agencies will be required to accept either the base rate(s), and/or the agency's average actual personnel rates through the signature process.

Fire agencies are expected to reimburse their agency personnel the pay rates submitted on the annual salary survey. If Cal OES does not receive a signed 2016 Annual Salary Survey from your agency's authorized representative indicating your agency's rates, Cal OES will have no basis to process an invoice for payment for any responses ordered and requested through the CFAA.

If you have any questions or concerns with the 2016 CFAA Rate Letter, please feel free to contact Lori Lopez at (916) 845-8722, or by email at lori.lopez@caloes.ca.gov. If Lori is unavailable, please contact the Fire and Rescue Division main telephone number at (916) 845-8711.

Sincerely,

KIM ZAGARIS

State Fire and Rescue Chief

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